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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A vehicle outside-image display

apparatus provided in a vehicle, comprising:

a vehicle outside-image capturing unit that captures a

vehicle's outside image by a camera;

an image receiving unit that receives vehicle outside-image

information from outside a first vehicle ahead of the vehicle,

the vehicle outside-image information being obtained by

combining vehicle outside-image information captured by the

first vehicle with vehicle outside-image information captured by

a second vehicle ahead of the first vehicle;

an image combining unit that combines the vehicle outside-

image information received by the image receiving unit with the

image captured by the vehicle outside-image capturing unit to

produce renewed vehicle outside-image information; and

an image display device that displays the renewed vehicle

outside-image information produced by the image combining

unit[[.]]; and

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an image transmitting unit that transmits the renewed vehicle outside-image information produced by the image combining unit to a rearward vehicle relative to the vehicle.

Claim 2 (Cancelled)

Claim 3 (Cancelled)

Claim 4 (Cancelled)

Claim 5 (Cancelled)

Claim 6 (Currently amended): The vehicle outside-image display apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising: a following distance measuring unit that measures a following distance between [[a]] the vehicle equipped with the vehicle outside-image display apparatus and a vehicle ahead thereof; and a field-of-vision condition determining unit that determines, with the following distance measuring unit, whether or not a forward field of vision is blocked, wherein vehicle outside-image information is received from the image receiving unit when it is determined that the forward field of vision is blocked by the vehicle ahead.

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Claim 7 (Previously presented): The vehicle outside-image

display apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising: a

measurement value receiving unit that receives a three-

dimensional measurement value from outside; and a viewpoint

converting unit that converts the vehicle outside-image

information to have a viewpoint from the camera based on the

three-dimensional measurement value received by the measurement

value receiving unit and supplies the converted information to

the image combining unit.

Claim 8 (Previously presented): The vehicle outside-image

display apparatus according to claim 7, further comprising: a

three-dimensional measuring unit that performs, by a three-

dimensional measuring instrument, a three-dimensional

measurement for an environment in a picture range captured by

the vehicle outside-image capturing unit; and a measurement

value combining unit that combines the three-dimensional

measurement value received by the measurement value receiving

unit with the three-dimensional measurement value acquired by

the three-dimensional measuring unit.

Claim 9 (Original): The vehicle outside-image display apparatus

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according to claim 8, further comprising a measurement value transmitting unit that transmits a renewed three-dimensional measurement value produced by the measurement value combining unit to outside.

Claim 10 (Original): The vehicle outside-image display apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the measurement value transmitting unit transmits the renewed three-dimensional measurement value produced by the measurement value combining unit to a rearward vehicle relative to the vehicle equipped with the vehicle outside-image display apparatus.

Claim 11 (Cancelled)